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1103 1,454.00 CNAssistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231AMENDMENT

In response to the Examiner's action mailed  
November 19, 1996, please amend the application as follows:

In the claims:

Cancel claims 77, 93, and 98.

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1 31. (Thrice Amended) A method for treating preventing bronchoconstriction in a human, which method comprises identifying a human in need of such treatment or prevention, and providing a therapeutically-effective amount of a nitric oxide-releasing compound to such a human for inhalation.

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2 32. (Thrice Amended) The method of claim 31, wherein the step of providing the nitric oxide-releasing compound for inhalation [said inhalation step] is preceded or accompanied by a step comprising providing a therapeutically-effective amount of gaseous nitric oxide to the human for inhalation.

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